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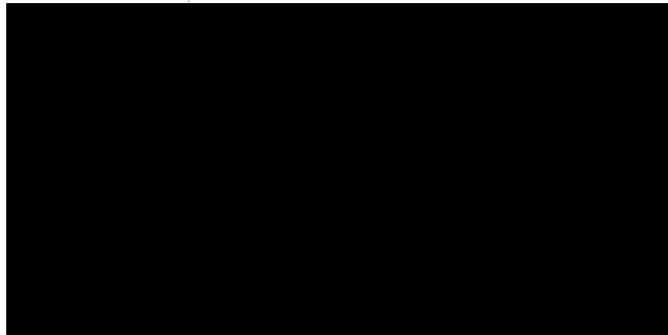
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Research, Development and Production Review Board

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- I. Meeting #69 of the Research, Development and Production Review Board was held in the OC Conference Room at 1400 hours on 15 May 1957. The following persons were in attendance:



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- II. Under Agenda Item I-1, Old Business:

The Minutes of Meeting #68 were approved as written.

- III. Under Agenda Item I-2, Old Business:

1. A paper was presented by the O&T Division which resulted from discussions between that Division and OC-E, regarding agent type automatic keying devices. The Board approved the paper with the following change: Item 8, RS-16, c, - delete the last sentence starting "Procurement quantities ...".

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2. Regarding the development work to be done on the RS-16, pertaining to a more flexible antenna system than the existing whip, the P&P representative recommended that OC-E investigate possible approaches to this problem and coordinate with O&T before taking further action.

3. In regard to the AS-3, the Engineering Division reported that they had made contact with the contractor and discussed with him the possibility of a speedup of the development work, as well as the production program that would guarantee delivery of equipments by November 1958. OC-E is awaiting a

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report from the contractor as to the practicability of this approach and an estimate of the increased cost thereof. O&T reported they had verbally contacted the DD/P Materiel Board for priority consideration and are awaiting an answer. It was the consensus of the Board that O&T should take necessary action with OC-E and WE, to initiate formal action to the DD/P Materiel Board.

IV. Under Agenda Item II-1, New Business:

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The Board Members discussed the DD/P proposed [REDACTED] and all were seriously concerned with the implications contained in the proposed charter of the DD/P Materiel Board. The Chairman appointed a working group to be composed of O&T P&P, and Engineering representatives to review this paper and make recommendations as to changes that should be made therein. In this review, as suggested by the SP representative, the working group shall review the Agency regulations setting forth the charter of the Office of Communications, and perhaps incorporate a statement [REDACTED] to the effect that nothing contained [REDACTED] will abrogate any of the authorities and responsibilities assigned to the D/CO by the Agency regulations. It was felt that the time element was such that a further report could not be made to the Board, but must be submitted directly to the D/CO.

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V. The O&T representative stated that he believed a discussion should take place at the next meeting of the Board regarding Systems II, particularly as to the aims and purposes to which this equipment would be utilized. Considerable discussion took place on this item and the Board reached the following conclusions.

(1) The Board concurs in the continuation of the testing of the existing equipment for a long enough period to determine its operational and technical reliabilities.

(2) The Board agrees that at this time it does not have enough data on the operational and technical details, reliability, and cost of equipment to authorize the repackaging of 17 airborne units for sub-base use.

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(3) The Board recognizes that O&T, SP, and OC-E reserve the right to call a special meeting of the Board to further consider this problem.

VI. The meeting adjourned at 1610 hours. The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for 5 June 1957.

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Distribution:

Members and those in attendance
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